# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

WENDY HULBURT,	)
Plaintiff,	)
v.	) No. 1:14-cv-3834
CREDIT ONE FINANCIAL d/b/a Credit One Bank, N.A.,	) ) )
Defendant.	)

## **PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT**

Plaintiff, WENDY HULBURT ("Plaintiff"), through her attorneys, alleges the following against Defendant, CREDIT ONE FINANCIAL d/b/a Credit One Bank, N.A. ("Defendant"):

### **INTRODUCTION**

1. This action is brought by Plaintiff pursuant to the Telephone Consumer Protection Act ("TCPA"), 47 U.S.C. § 227 *et seq*.

### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 2. Subject matter jurisdiction of this court arises pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1331.
- 3. Defendant conducts business in the State of Maryland thereby establishing personal jurisdiction.
  - 4. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2).

#### **PARTIES**

- 5. Plaintiff is a natural person residing in Brandywine, Maryland.
- 6. Defendant is a business entity headquartered in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 7. Defendant acted through its agents, employees, officers, members, directors, heirs, successors, assigns, principals, trustees, sureties, subrogees, representatives, and insurers.

## **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 8. In 2014, Defendant started placing telephone calls to (240) 604-74xx, Plaintiff's cellular telephone.
- 9. Defendant has been assigned multiple telephone numbers from its service provider(s) that it uses to call Plaintiff including, but not limited to, 732-867-2902, 866-473-0951 and 973-796-5994.
- 10. All of Defendant's calls to Plaintiff's cell telephone were placed using an automatic telephone dialing system or other equipment capable of storing and/or producing telephone numbers ("auto dialer").
  - 11. Defendant places telephone calls to Plaintiff for non-emergency purposes.
- 12. On June 18, 2014, Plaintiff spoke to Defendant and instructed Defendant to stop calling her cell phone.
  - 13. Plaintiff repeated her instruction on June 20, 2014.
- 14. Plaintiff revoked any consent, express or implied, for Defendant to use an auto dialer to call her cell phone.
- 15. Defendant continued to knowingly, willfully, and intentionally used an auto dialer to call Plaintiff's cell phone.
- 16. Since July 22, 2014, Defendant has used an auto dialer to call Plaintiff at least sixty-three (63) times.
- 17. Defendant did not have Plaintiff's express consent to use an auto dialer to call her cell phone after June 20, 2014.
- 18. Plaintiff is annoyed and feels harassed by Defendant's continuous calls to her cell phone.

**COUNT I** 

DEFENDANT VIOLATED THE TELEPHONE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

19. Defendant's actions alleged *supra* constitute numerous negligent violations of the

TCPA, entitling Plaintiff to an award of \$500.00 in statutory damages for each and every violation

pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B).

20. Defendant's actions alleged *supra* constitute numerous and multiple knowing and/or

willful violates of the TCPA, entitling Plaintiff to an award of \$1500.00 in statutory damages for

each and every violation pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B) and 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(C).

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, WENDY HOLBURT, respectfully requests judgment be entered

against Defendant, CREDIT ONE FINANCIAL d/b/a Credit One Bank, N.A., for the following:

21. Statutory damages of \$500.00 for each and every negligent violation of the TCPA

pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § (b)(3)(B),

22. Statutory damages of \$1500.00 for each and every knowing and/or willful violation

of the TCPA pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § (b)(3)(b) and 47 U.S.C. § (b)(3)(C),

23. All court costs, witness fees and other fees incurred,

24. Any other relief that this Honorable Court deems appropriate.

Dated: December 9, 2014

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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